

CLAIMS

Having thus described the aforementioned invention, I claim:

1. A hanger for supporting a vineyard wire, said hanger comprising:

a bracket adapted to be mounted on a conventional stake, said bracket defining a central portion configured to substantially encompass a portion of the stake and a pair of terminal ends disposed parallel one to another;

a wire receiving member disposed between said terminal ends of said bracket, said wire receiving member defining a central opening, said central opening configured to define an exposed portion disposed above said bracket terminal ends, said exposed portion of said central opening being provided for loosely receiving the trellis wire; and

a fastener for fixing a relative position of said wire receiving member and said bracket.

2. The hanger of Claim 1 further comprising a spacer disposed between said wire receiving member and one of said pair of bracket terminal ends.

3. The hanger of Claim 1 wherein each of said pair of terminal ends of said bracket defines one of a pair of cooperating openings, wherein

said fastener defines a post configured to be received through said pair of cooperating openings defined by said pair of bracket terminal ends and said central opening of said wire receiving member.

4. The hanger of Claim 3 further comprising a spacer disposed between said wire receiving member and one of said pair of bracket terminal ends, said spacer defining an opening adapted to receive said fastener post.

5. The hanger of Claim 1 wherein said wire receiving member defines a receiving slot for receiving the trellis wire when said wire receiving member is disposed in a first position relative to said bracket, said receiving slot being concealed when said wire receiving member is moved to a second position relative to said bracket, said fastener being actuated when said wire receiving member is disposed in said second position, whereby said trellis wire is installed on said hanger when said wire receiving member is disposed in said first position and is prevented from disengagement from said hanger when said wire receiving member is disposed in said second position.

6. A hanger for supporting a vineyard wire, said hanger comprising:

a bracket adapted to be mounted on a conventional stake, said bracket defining a central portion configured to substantially encompass a

5 portion of the stake and a pair of terminal ends disposed parallel one to another, each of said pair of terminal ends of said bracket defining one of a pair of cooperating openings;

10 a wire receiving member disposed between said terminal ends of said bracket, said wire receiving member defining a central opening, said central opening configured to define an exposed portion disposed above said bracket terminal ends, said exposed portion of said central opening being provided for loosely receiving the trellis wire, said wire receiving member defining a receiving slot for receiving the trellis wire when said wire receiving member is disposed in a first position relative to said
15 bracket, said receiving slot being concealed when said wire receiving member is moved to a second position relative to said bracket, whereby said trellis wire is installed on said hanger when said wire receiving member is disposed in said first position and is prevented from disengagement from said hanger when said wire receiving member is disposed in said second
20 position; and

25 a fastener for fixing a relative position of said wire receiving member and said bracket, said fastener defining a post configured to be received through said pair of cooperating openings defined by said pair of bracket terminal ends and said central opening of said wire receiving member, said fastener being tightened when said wire receiving member is disposed in said second position.

